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Dear Governor Cooper,

Thank you for your support of the Paris Accord, your position against offshore drilling, and your executive order yesterday encouraging wind power and the promotion of solar energy growth in our state. That said, given your stand on climate it makes no sense what-so-ever to allow continued infrastructure to be built in our state for fracked gas fossil fuels.

The ACP and additional gas plants proposed by Duke Energy to be built across our state would marry our state to nearly another half century with fossil fuels. Natural gas IS a fossil fuel, and the methane leaks that result from it are more harmful to global warming than is equivalent CO2. All reputable climate scientists assert this to be true.

I understand it is important to have a balance of energy options available to provide reliability for citizens. However, given the truly dire situation we are in with climate we simply must not allow additional development of infrastructure in fossil fuels. We must stop this at all costs.

- Please speak out against the ACP and new fracked gas infrastructure.
- Please create a green ribbon panel to develop a strategy on how to minimize the impacts of the climate crisis in North Carolina. This study should include a review of sources and types of natural gas used in North Carolina by utilities, industry, government, residential and other users as well as polluting sources of energy production. State and Federal subsidies to the fracking industry should also be reviewed. An analysis of distributed solar and wind energy and storage should be included in this study to identify clean opportunities to meet the same energy needs.
- Please issue an executive order banning fracking in North Carolina until and unless the impacts of venting and leaking are reduced.
- Please join with the governors of Maryland, Vermont and New York, and other governors across the country, to create a national strategy to eliminate fracking and natural gas infrastructure.
- Please direct your Attorney General to determine whether you have the authority to meet these goals and, if not, to what extent - what other constitutional channels could be pursued to protect State interests? Interstate commerce? Health and safety considerations?

The situation with our climate is truly urgent. We simply must not allow new fossil fuel infrastructure to be built. Protect the people. Protect this beautiful state.

Thank you,
Amanda

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